

Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> 1891

Elmer went to Hot Springs about noon & does not expect to get home tonight as Moore's folks will probably come out here from that place tomorrow.

I have not been in the cave today because I could not think of any thing to go in after.

Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup>

5:10 in car

Sompson's Palace Route Trip

after noon an hour or two J. F. Moore, M. A. Moore & Elmer came up from Hot Spring. at 3:25 P.M. J. F. Moore, Father & I started in the cave to get some specimens. We went the Monte Cristo's Branch of the Sompson's Palace Route. We went around the large rock in Mord Palace and came to the conclusion that it would weigh more than 3000 tons. at Monte Cristo's Palace we stopped to get some specimens and got some fine geodes in the extreme North end. We left our car and sack in Monte Cristo's Palace and went to Murnd Builders Last. at the North end of this river I accidentally discovered a beautiful quartz crystal, Father found some good sized geodes & a curiosities (I got the latter) in the South end of Murnd Builders Last Resting Place & we all got a good load to take to our transporting implements. We loaded up and made our way towards the entrance, arriving there at 8:35 P.M. And plenty hungry for we had a heavy load to carry out all around. M. A. Moore accompanied us as far as Sparkin Alley on our way in, where he told him that there was a block formation & likely to quartz crystal. When we got out he told me that he found plenty of the formation but very few quartz.